



THAW CASE IN MUDDLE

Defense Unable to Agree on Plan of Action.

THAW DENIES INSANITY

Prisoner Unwilling to Enter In- sanity Plea and Mother Insists.

QUARREL MAY BE A BLUFF

Hartridge Files Complaint to Oust Judge Olcott's Firm From Connection With Case—Queer State of Affairs.

NEW YORK, July 18.—The chaotic conditions surrounding the preparation of the defense of Harry K. Thaw were accentuated today and apparently the breach between the prisoner and his mother Mrs. Thaw of Pittsburg, as to the character of the defense was wider than ever.

Following quickly upon a conference of two hours with Thaw in the Tombs after his mother had twice during the day endeavored to gain her boy's consent to the re-employment of Black, Olcott, Gruber and Bonyng, and consent to the plea of insanity, Clifford J. Hartridge, Thaw's personal counsel, obtained from Justice Blanchard in a special term of the supreme court late today an order directing Judge Olcott's firm to show cause next Friday why they should not turn over to Hartridge all papers in Thaw's case. Hartridge based his motion on the petition signed by Thaw which was placed on record in connection with the proceedings.

This move was a distinct surprise, being a contradiction of the reports which had gained wide circulation earlier in the day to the effect that Thaw had consented to his mother's plan of action. The rumor that the young man had bowed to his mother's will undoubtedly had origin in the fact that Mrs. William Thaw and Mrs. Harry Thaw, who were in conference with Thaw at the same time today, emerged from the prison arm in arm.

It was the first time that they had been seen together. Thaw's wife all along supported him in his demand for a trial on the issues of the case and has opposed the insanity plea. She has thus arrayed against the elder Mrs. Thaw, who seems to feel that the only hope of saving her son from death in the electric chair is dependent upon a defense of insanity. This plea would avoid the further publicity and ignominy of a trial and has been urged upon the prisoner, who, however, apparently remains obdurate.

LONG AUTO TOUR.

NEW YORK, July 18.—A special to the Herald from Philadelphia says:

With a fifty thousand mile automobile tour of the country more than half completed, George M. Huston of Chicago, accompanied by his wife and son, arrived at the Bellevue-Stratford yesterday during the height of a rain storm. More than a year ago Mr. Huston and his family left Chicago and they have been reeling off century after century ever since.

After a short stop in this city and at the seashore, Mr. Huston will turn his car westward, never stopping until the city of the Golden Gate and the Pacific Ocean are reached. Then the trip back again will be begun through Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. He expects to finish the 50,000 miles by next New Year's Eve, at Chicago, the original starting point.

TRIP TO ALASKA.

Three Portland Youths Start Down the River on Way to Alaska.

PORTLAND, July 18.—In a small 3-masted schooner, 28 feet in length and 13 feet beam, Thomas B. Cline, Martin Boyce and Bert Stipes today started from this city on a hunting, trapping and fishing cruise along the Alaskan coast. In their little craft, the "Raut-mault" they expect to take in a greater portion of the Alaskan coast and return to Portland in a year with furs and other trophies of the chase which will pay them handsomely for the financial outlay and compensate them for the dangers of the voyage. They will stop at Astoria two days before proceeding to sea. Each of the young men is over 23 years of age.

ADDRESSES FARMERS.

SALEM, July 18.—Professor G. L. McKay, director of dairying of the Iowa Agricultural College, now in Portland, will deliver an address upon dairying in this city Saturday afternoon of this week. He has agreed to investigate conditions in the Willamette Valley from a dairy expert's point of view, and to talk to the farmers, dairy and creamery men, upon the subject.

A BIG ENCAMPMENT

Army Will Hold Manoeuvres At Indianapolis.

TO USE LITTLE AMMUNITION

Rudimentary Methods of Camp Life and Tactics of Offensive and Defensive Warfare Will Be Thoroughly Explained.

CHICAGO, July 18.—A schedule for the maneuvers of the United States troops at Indianapolis during the month of August was announced yesterday by Brigadier-General William H. Carter, commander of the Department of the Lakes, who will have command of the encampment. The program as given shows a system of discipline carefully graded from a rudimentary method of camp life to the complicated tactics of offensive and defensive warfare. A large consignment of blank cartridges has been ordered sent to the Indiana capital but it is expected that little powder will be spent. The enemy, in the higher drills, is to be purely imaginary, and no sham battles will be fought between opposing brigades, as frequently has been done on similar occasions. A few volleys may be fired as the charge is made upon the supposedly strongly defended position of the fictitious opponent but the government supplies will be saved.

The first two days of the encampment will be given over to lectures by surgeons of the northern division to all officers upon "Camp Sanitation," health precautions in the field and first aid to the injured. Following in succession the battalions and then the regiments of infantry will be shown their part in the action of the brigade, which as soon as possible, will be formed of the three-armed branches of the service for a practice march ready for action. A further step, which will conclude the first week, is that of the preparation for meeting the enemy, encountered on the march, by reconnaissance and the deploying of forces for attack.

The second week is to be, in a more thorough manner, a repetition of the first. The brigade will carry its rations for a day's march and will establish itself in a position of defense for a night's bivouac. Hasty intrenchments will be made, outposts will be placed in similar defensive works and all will be ready for an attack.

The next day a similar march will be taken but the action will be offensive. The imaginary enemy has taken up a strong position, has placed his pickets, has thrown up earthworks and suddenly the marchers, with no more warning than they would have in real war, are upon him.

BOTH SIDES STUBBORN

Portland Traction Forces at a Deadlock.

MAY WALK OUT FRIDAY

Carmen Are Expected to Be Cal- led Out Tomorrow Morning.

COMPANY WILL NOT TREAT

Employers Anticipating Tie-Up Said to Be Importing Strike Breakers— Sympathetic Strike May Be In- augurated—Looks Serious.

PORTLAND, July 18.—That a general strike of the union street car men of Portland must be the result of the present situation is conceded by the officials of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company. The officials of the union say there will certainly be a general strike, possibly Friday morning, unless the company recedes from its position, and they do not expect to see this happen.

Employs Almost Unit.

If a general walkout is ordered about 95 per cent of the 800 employees will go out, according to the claim of the union. The company contends that only about 60 per cent of the men will obey the order of the union. Both sides admit that enough men will strike to seriously tie up the street car traffic of the city for a few days at least, and possibly longer.

It is rumored today that the electrical workers may possibly become involved in the difficulty and might go out upon a sympathetic strike should the carmen's union ask aid in its fight. Such a contingency, it is admitted, would completely tie up the entire city and practically all of the suburbs in every line dependent upon electrical energy for operation. A strike of this extent would plunge the entire city in darkness and stop the wheels of industry to a most serious extent.

Both Sides Firm.

The members of the union realize that the company proposes to remain firm in the stand it has taken, and the company is equally convinced of the fact that the union men mean to strike if the demands are not considered before the expiration of the 48-hour truce at noon tomorrow. In consequence, both are preparing for the crisis.

The agents of the union are actively engaged in trying to add non-union carmen to the organization, and the company is busily engaged engaging men and preparing to ship in men from outside cities to take the places of those who go out.

It is reported by good authority that 150 men are now on their way to the city, all of them experienced carmen. Information has also leaked out to the effect that the company has employed a strike-breaker who is now on the field and ready to take charge as soon as a strike occurs. The company is preparing in every way possible to fight the union to a bitter finish.

BETTER WATER FOR MONTESANO.

MONTESANO, Wash., July 18.—How to secure a new water supply for this place has become a vital question, as the present supply, taken from Sylvia Lake, north of town, is in danger of being rendered unfit for use because of a logging camp situated on its banks. The new source of supply will be some of the clear streams that flow down from the foothills of the Olympics.

ON LONG WALK.

Greek Walking Around the World on Bet Arrives in Frisco

SAN FRANCISCO, July 18.—Nicholas George, a Greek and a pedestrian, 24 years old has arrived here from Australasia, en route to Budapest on a walk around the world.

He must on this pedestrian trip walk 40,000 miles in three years and three months and at the end of that time get a purse of \$20,000 from the International Tourist Club of Budapest.

He commenced his trip at Cairo, Egypt, November 17, 1904.

According to his story he walks thirty miles a day and that he has accomplished the different stages in vouching in a diary by "All sorts and conditions of men." Among them were the Duke of Connaught, the Emperor of Abyssinia, and General Khartoum.

CAPTAIN DIES.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 18.—A communication received here from Lieutenant-Commander Garret, U. S. N., of the United States steamer Albatross at Hakodate, Japan, reports the death of Captain Falkman of the W. H. Demond and of their mate Thomas Johnson of the Zampa. Both vessels belong to the cod-fishing fleet of this port now operating in the Okhotsk sea.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY

Man and Three Children Perish in Burning Home.

MYSTERIOUS SHOT IS HEARD

Man Runs in House to Rescue Children —Shot is Heard and None of the Victims Are Seen Alive Afterward.

BOISE, July 18.—Charles A. Justus and the three children of his sister, Mrs. Samuel Moudy, were burned to death in the family homestead four miles east of Middleton last night. The parents were in the hospital at Boise, where Mrs. Moudy recently submitted to an operation. Justus remained with the seven children. When the house was discovered in flames, the four older children escaped. Justus went into the burning building to rescue the younger ones, aged 3, 5 and 8 years. Soon afterward a shot was heard and neither Justus nor the children were seen alive. This morning the charred bodies were found in the ruins. Mr. Moudy says a loaded rifle was kept hanging under the stairs and he believes the heat caused the gun to explode the bullet killing Justus. The dead man was 39 years of age.

HOGG'S TRIAL BEGINS.

PORTLAND, July 18.—The trial of Martin G. Hogg, indicted in connection with the land frauds in Oregon, commenced today. Frank E. Kincart, who with Henry Miller and Charles Nickel were indicted with Hogg, has withdrawn his former plea of not guilty and plead guilty to a charge of conspiracy. Harry Walter Miller, one of the defendants who confessed to his share in the alleged fraudulent transaction was the first witness against Hogg.

WILL KEEP DIAMONDS.

NEW YORK, July 18.—Customs officials were notified from Washington, D. C., yesterday that a petition of Norman C. Hasall of Toledo, Ohio, a jeweler for the return of a diamond brooch valued at \$5000 which was taken from him on his arrival in New York from Europe, has been denied by the Treasury Department.

Interest is shown in the case by jewelry manufacturers as the question turns on the right of an American traveling abroad to have jewelry repaired and brought back without payment of duties. A question is also raised as to identification of the diamonds as the stones that were in the brooch when it was taken abroad.

RUSSIA IS IN TURMOIL

Agrarian Disorder Spread- ing Everywhere.

HARVEST UNGATHERED

Peasants Refuse to Work Fields— Land Owners Are Stubborn.

MURDERS ARE COMMON THING

Attempted Assassination of Count Tol- leben Made In St. Petersburg— Bomb Is Thrown at Colonel Dumbadesk.

WARSAW, July 18.—Agrarian disorders are spreading and the strike now extends through several provinces in which the harvest is threatened with destruction by the refusal of the peasants to work in the fields. The land owners union has refused to grant the demands of the strikers.

There are wholesale murders of policemen in the province of Lublin. In one town recently, 10 policemen have been shot and many other murders are reported.

Attempted Assassination.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 18.—An attempt was made today to assassinate Count Tolleben, aide-de-camp to the emperor, at the engineers camp at Thera, between St. Petersburg and Thusselburg. The would-be assassin fired at the count with a revolver, the bullet grazing his head. He then made his escape in a boat awaiting him in the Neva. It is believed the act was one of vengeance for the arrest of an agitator, who had affected the whole camp.

It is reported that some of the soldiers of the Semenovskiy guard regiment have served notice on their commander, Colonel Minn, that they intended to kill him at the first opportunity for forcing them to murder their fellow soldiers during the Moscow revolt, and that Minn, in fear of his life, has fled from the camp.

Shot By One Of Men.

TIFLIS, July 18.—Police Captain Vinegradoff was shot and severely wounded by one of his own men today. Yesterday an attempt was made on the life of chief of Police Martinoff by a bomb, during the session of the faculty of "The Nobles School." Following the outrages the troops fired volleys into a building killing a director and severely injuring two professors and janitors.

Bomb Is Thrown.

SEBASTOPOL, July 18.—During today's session of the court martial which is engaged in the trial of the men concerned at the Black Sea fleet mutiny in November, a bomb was thrown from the Farine barracks at Colonel Dumbadesk, commander of the Minsk regiment, who was leaving the court room. Colonel Dumbadesk was not hurt. Two men were arrested on suspicion. The Minsk regiment distinguished itself in the suppression of the November outrages.

Will Have Double Track.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 18.—The cabinet today discussed the proposed double tracking of the Trans-Siberian Railway and decided to present to parliament a project for the gradual completion of the second line, the entire distance to the interior of adfnehoria, except the Circum-Baikal section, where ferries will be provided, equivalent to additional track. The double tracking will enable 34 trains to pass daily in each direction.

WILL FIGHT STRIKERS.

United Railways Will Not Grant Union men An Eight-Hour Day.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 18.—The members of the Electrical Union Workers who are in the employ of the Union Railways decided this morning to go on strike after receiving an ultimatum from the company in reply to their demand that while willing to grant an increase of wages from \$3.50 to \$3.75 for ten hours' work, it would not grant an eight-hour day.

It is possible that the street car system will be tied up if the strike is made effective. The power houses cannot operate without shopmen.

The United Railroads announced this morning that it would fight the strikers and fill their places with non-union men.

THREATEN TO STRIKE.

NEW YORK, July 18.—Intimation was issued yesterday by the Associated Building Trades to the contractors employing members of the dual union named Local No. 480 of the United Nation Association of Journey Plumbers that if they did not withdraw all members of the dual union from the buildings affected by the plumbers' strike, sympathetic strikes would be ordered. It is estimated that about 50,000 men would be affected by a tie-up.

RETURN TO OREGON

Holy Rollers May Be Sent Here for Trial.

WILL BE DECLARED INSANE

Statute Provides That Insane Persons, Residents of Other States, May Be Returned—Alienists Are At Work on Case.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 18.—Esther Mitchell and Mrs. Maud Creffield may be removed to their Oregon homes, instead of being tried for murder here, despite the direct information on a murder charge filed here today. This is a proposition which has been discussed at some length by, and has met with some favor from influential members of the King County bar. One object gained by turning over to Oregon her own citizens, say court officials who have suggested the matter, would be that King county would, at very little cost, rid itself of an expensive bill of about \$5000.

Mrs. Creffield's home, they claim, is at Corvallis; Esther Mitchell's in Newberg, or Portland. A Washington law provides that non-resident insane persons may be taken to their home State. It reads: "Whenever any person shall be found in the Superior Court in any county to be insane and such person has no residence within this State such person shall be sent, at the expense of the State, to the place where such person belongs, in every case where such place of residence can be ascertained."

The trial of George Mitchell, it is estimated, cost King county about \$500. As many Oregon witnesses would probably be required in the case of the women as in that of the young man against whose life they plotted. The women have the right to be tried separately, thus costing the state twice as much as did Mitchell. Should an insanity commission find the women insane and the court send them to Oregon, the Oregon officials who were so outspoken in their opinions of the trial of George Mitchell, claim local court officials, would then have a chance to handle the case themselves. Probably Esther and Mrs. Creffield would be sent to the Hospital for the Insane at Salem. On the other hand, if alienist experts should find the prisoners sane, their record would be admissible at the murder trial here.

Even now insanity experts are holding an inquiry into the mental condition of the prisoners. Much will depend on their report. The information to be filed this afternoon names 17 witnesses for the state, including local police officers, newspaper reporters, physicians and Perry and Fred Mitchell, Fred Dickman and Lewis Sandele.